

LONG BUSINESS CAR

CHAPEL STREET MERCHANTS
THE HALF CENTURY LINE

Men Among Us Who Have Seen
Changes in New Haven Since Their
Business Life Here.

A half a century is a long stretch of time to look forward to, and a business career of half a century is one of exceptional interest and rarity. Chapel street, New Haven's greatest artery of mercantile trade, has not one merchant who has been in business as a round-out half century. That is to say, that the street has not a single merchant now who has been in business on the street uninterruptedly for half a century. The only one who approaches near that limit is our esteemed townsman, John E. Bassett. Mr. Bassett will next month enter upon his fifty-first year as a Chapel street business man. It is now about forty-nine years since he, an active, enterprising young man, full of hope, commendable spirit and bright anticipations, set foot on Chapel street as a participant in its busy whirl of activities, and a circumstance which is also of great rarity is this—that all of that forty-nine years of business life has been spent under one roof, in the same spot, the same business location. Mr. Bassett is no longer in the heyday of youth, yet he is far from being a flagrant in business, far from being what is popularly rated as old. He is still in his prime, energetic, thorough and active, though not necessarily confined to business as closely as of yore, his son, one of our most promising younger merchants, taking an active and important share in the conduct of the business; and Mr. Bassett is still young comparatively, as he began his business life when only fifteen years of age and is now but sixty-five. Long may he live and prosper.

We have among us, still active and daily a visitor upon Chapel street, upon bright and cheery days in good weather, an ex-merchant who saw half a century of business life on Chapel street. This gentleman is Mr. A. C. Wilcox, now an octogenarian, but very active, bodily and mentally, for one of his years. Mr. Wilcox was for half a century a dry goods merchant of Chapel street and devoted unflinchingly to his business during all that long period, except when he combined mercantile activity with his duties as a member of the legislature, representing the town of Madison, and at another time as a senator, representing the Madison district. Mr. Wilcox recalls with pleasure the fact that old Madison held him in such esteem that, though a strongly republican town, it awarded him a seat on its republican record and sent him, a thorough and unflinching democrat, to the general assembly, the fact being thus proven that there was one democrat at least, in a long period of time, who could carry Madison for the democratic party.

Among our townsmen who are approaching the fifty-year limit as Chapel street merchants is Edward Malley. Mr. Malley can point with pardonable pride to the figures over the broad entrance to the Malley, Neely & Co. dry goods emporium, which tell of the fact that it is now considerably over forty years since he made his debut as a Chapel street merchant, and almost from the start electrified the street by his original, enterprising and live business methods, his appreciation of the immense value of judicious advertising and his rapid advance to a most flourishing and renowned position as one of the leading merchants of the street.

Outside of Chapel street there is one of our citizens whose business record passes the half century line. This is our old and esteemed citizen, Benajah Douglass, whose business career is one of exceptional length and who can recall with ease the old times when our now big city had no railroad communication to New York, and who remembers one winter, when was one of exceptional severity, when the harbor was frozen solid clear to the lighthouse, and when ships had to unload their cargoes at South End on account of the ice embargo. He recalls the old stagecoach days of travel between New York and Boston. Though the big manufacturing business of the Douglasses has in later years been conducted by his sons, owing to his advancing years, yet the patriarchal ex-elderman is yet among us daily, and, though the Douglass firm has met with misfortune, a situation owing to adverse circumstances that superior ability and devotion in the management of a large business house was unable to withstand, yet there is hope that this big and valuable industry will be saved to the city and the venerable townsman may live to see it re-established and aid to the extent of his powers yet many years.

Visiting New Haven a day or two since was a former New Havener, Mr. H. H. Snow, who was widely known and prominent in business circles here for twenty-five years or more. He was the longer part of that time engaged in the confectionery business on Chapel street below the bridge, and in the rear of his store was his confectionery manufactory. Mr. Snow has now been a New York confectioner for years in company with his younger son, Frederick. They are located on Fulton street, corner of Park Row, and are doing a fine business. A large share of their patrons are noted business men of the great metropolis. Mr. Snow is as active, alert and cheery as a young man of forty, although he is now about sixty-nine years of age. Prosperity has returned to him and he has but few indications of age, seemingly having drunk of the fountain of perpetual youth. His large circle of friends here will be pleased to hear of his success. The confectionery house, which he founded here is well carried on by his elder son, Charles P. Snow, and the age of the house in this city, father and son, is forty-four years, making it one of special note.

THE PEQUOTS.

Keep Open House To-day for Members and Friends.

The Pequot association keeps open house to-day for members and their friends. The reception will be from 3 to 6:30 p. m., dinner at 6, and the electric cars will leave the old green from 3 p. m. to 6:30 every ten minutes for the Cove. The last car for the city will leave the Cove at 10:30.

NORTH HAVEN.

Dec. 31.—Arthur Stiles, who is in business in Boston, spent his holiday vacation in North Haven with his mother, but was obliged to return to Boston last week.

Many families entertained friends at Christmas dinners and evening parties.

Miss Polly Lloyd, who is a member of the Moody school at Northfield, Mass., is enjoying her vacation at home.

Preparatory lecture at the lecture room on Thursday at 1:30 p. m., followed by the annual business meeting of the church. No Wednesday evening services.

Last Monday evening Quinplace council No. 77, O. U. A. M., elected officers for the ensuing term: M. D. Marks, C.; G. W. Dudley, V. C.; R. J. Shepherd, R. S.; E. J. Dudley, A. R. S.; O. S. Todd, F. S.; Joseph Pierpont, treasurer; H. L. Kelgwin, I.; Benjamin Dan Doren, examiner; William B. Roberts, I. P.; L. N. Bassett, O. P.; D. L. Clinton, trustee.

S. F. Linsley expects to finish work on the barn of Forest Smith this week. More about that barn later.

C. H. Thorpe is a busy man, working early and late that he may provide for his own household and have something to give to him that needeth, which he does effectually, as many recipients of his bounty can testify. Mr. Thorpe goes daily with milk to Mr. Homer Cooper, who is another industrious man and can be depended upon. Mr. Cooper is one of a few who commenced in the milk business some years since and kept at it. Most of those who commenced in that department have changed to some other occupation.

The united circles of the King's Daughters will meet at the house of Rev. Mr. Lathrop on Wednesday evening, January 2. All interested in the work of that organization are invited to attend this gathering.

On Sunday a letter was read from Cullen B. Poole resigning his office of deacon. The five years' term of Deacon Whitney Elliott expires at this time and both vacancies are to be filled at the annual meeting on Thursday. Much is said about choosing more than two deacons. It may be a hard matter to induce any who are qualified to accept the position.

On Sunday Samuel Bunnell asked for a letter from the Congregational church to the Advent church in Wallingford.

The Congregational Sunday school adopted the Pilgrim series for use in the school for 1895. Quarterlies were distributed on Sunday.

Miss Kate H. Hill, who came home to spend Christmas with her father and brother, remained for a more extended visit.

An interesting meeting of the grange is expected on Tuesday evening.

The ladies of the W. C. T. U. are planning an interesting social and literary occasion at the quarterly "Afternoon Tea" and roll call at the Center chapel on Wednesday afternoon, January 2. The new president, Miss Mary Elliot, seems much interested and it is hoped that the members will come to her assistance in social matters as well as they did to Mrs. Turner and that this week's social will be of equal interest with the last one. All members are earnestly requested to come and bring their basket lunch.

Several ladies at the center made hearts glad at Christmas time by remembering those who live alone and others of their neighbors with gifts from their own tables and storehouses. Such will surely receive a blessing.

Miss Lavina Doolittle of Meriden is the guest of Mrs. George Stiles. The music at the Congregational church on Sunday evening was practiced especially for the occasion. It was remarked that Miss Flora Stiles never sang as well as on Sunday evening. Mrs. L. Etta Bassett was appreciated in place of Miss Edna Bassett, who was absent.

Arthur Johnson of New Haven was noticed at the Christmas tree exercises of St. John's church and pianist on Friday evening. This entertainment was of the same interest as former occasions. A professional hymn, a short sermon, a good supper in the grange room and afterwards an entertainment by the young people, assisted by Professor Parsons of New Haven. St. John's folks have the name of arranging good entertainments and this equalled any ever given by them and a large number attended.

New Haven County Pomona grange meets at Centerville on Wednesday, January 2. Several of the North Haven grange members, who are regularly at Pomona, will be obliged to be absent attending the annual meeting of the members of the Congregational church.

Governor Giddings' Lecture.

Lieutenant Governor J. Wright Giddings of Michigan will lecture in the people's course at the Grand avenue Congregational church on Thursday evening on "The Evolution of the Universe." The Chicago Inter-Ocean says of Governor Giddings:

"Notwithstanding the great inclemency of the weather a large number of persons assembled at Central Music hall to hear Michigan's lieutenant governor, the Hon. J. Wright Giddings, lecture on 'Uncle Sam's People' last evening. Mr. Giddings' lecture was received with marked attention, and proved clearly that he is the possessor of natural gifts as a speaker. His cultured, his enunciation is distinct, while his gestures are clear and graceful. The pith of his lecture was the pointing out of the various traits and characteristics of the American, which were illustrated by the relation of many pleasing incidents, skillfully interwoven, and having bearing upon the methods, habits and distinctive vagaries of American life. His closing remarks were directed to the idea of bettering the people by the bettering or purifying the ballot."

ANNUAL RECEPTION.

Grand Aurora in Harugard Hall.

The annual reception and ball given by Grand Aurora, I. O. O. F., will be held in Harugard hall to-night. The orchestra will furnish music for the concert and dancing. Prof. J. Cappallo will prompt. All goers will be assured of a good time in local affairs.

SOUTHINGTON.

Dec. 31.—Make some good resolutions on New Year's day.

The sidewalks should be kept free from snow and ice. Sift a little ashes on the crosswalks where they are slippery.

It will not be long before the new electric lights will be in running order. This will give our borough streets a good look at night time.

It should be our purpose the coming year to have some new building put up here to mark the passing of 1894. A library building would be liked, and also an art building.

When night comes no man may feel that the day closed has not been a profitable one. Our work is always unfinished, but we are making good headway. Our shops in the past year have manufactured a large quantity of articles, and many men have been kept busy.

Let us go ahead with the ordinary affairs of life and do a little extra during the year 1895. If a few of us agree to do this, the rest will, and by the middle of July all of us will find ourselves in pretty good circumstances.

The Harmonic society will have one of their best musical entertainments in the spring for the public to enjoy.

In Marion district on Mr. Hotchkiss' farm there is said to be the largest apple tree to be found hereabout in an area of twenty miles. This tree is old, but it is a large one, and whether it bears fruit or not I do not know.

The people here who are not working in the shops are having nice weather in which to enjoy themselves and go about.

There may be no two men here who care to see a road made connecting Main street, near the oven, with Eden avenue, and yet it will when made open up a shorter way of communication between a good number of householders, and will be liked. We want some one to pay attention to this plan for a street and show how good it will be to have it opened up. The street proposed is from the oven to Eden avenue.

Last summer, when the days were bright and warm, it was a pleasure to go along our country roads and pull hazelnuts. They are nice eating now on these cold nights, and if there were more of them there would be more who would like them and would be interested in gathering them. The meat of the hazelnut is sweet and the flavor is good. The nut itself is half the size of a walnut, and its shuck closes over the nut tightly, but leaves enough of a lip on either side so that you get hold of it and pull it open and get at the nut. Hazelnuts can be cultivated and taken care of.

A bright Western Union Telegraph boy delivers our telegrams here with dispatch. He is as wide awake a little boy as you can find anywhere. We would like to have him have a uniform. We hope the "Journal and Courier" will ask the telegraph company to have one made for him.

CARD.

My connection with Messrs. J. Johnson & Son ceased Dec. 31, 1894, by limitation, and I part from them with the satisfaction of knowing that our business relations for the past two years have been most friendly and I sincerely hope that my numerous friends and acquaintances will continue to bestow their patronage upon the firm which I leave with so many kind and pleasant remembrances.

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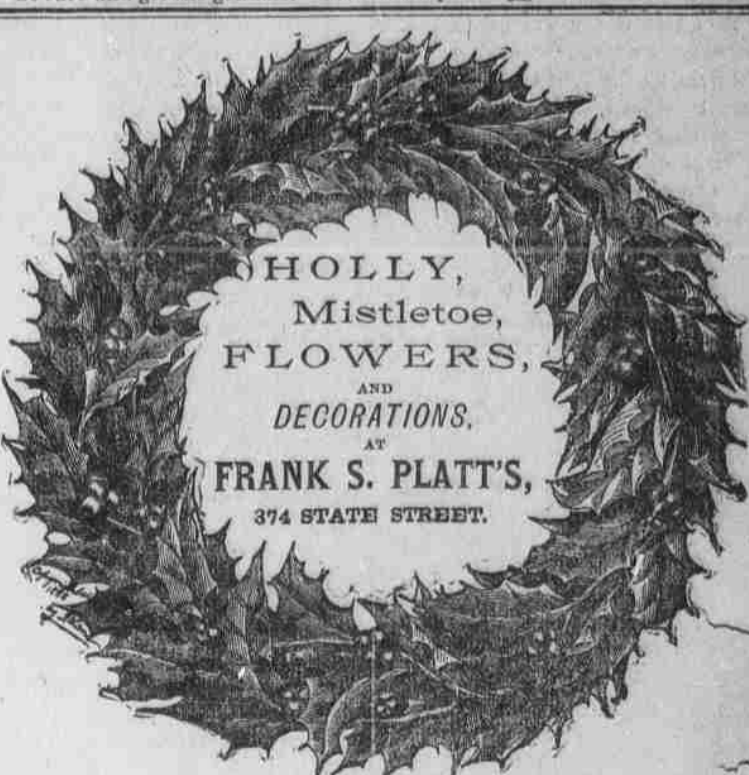
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